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A COVRANTE OF NEWES FROM THE EAST INDIA.

A true Relation of the taking of the Ilands of Lantore and Polaroone *in the parts of Banda in the* East Indies *by the* Hollanders, *which Ilands had yeelded themselues subiect vnto the King of* England. *written to the East India Company in* England *from their Factors there.*

ABout the Month of December 1620. the Dutch Generall hauing prepared a force of 16. ships, declared to our *President*, that he intended an exploit for the good of both Companies, without mentioning any particulars of his designes.

And seeing vs to haue no such forces ready to ioyne with him, he sayd he would attempt it alone. And the third of Ianuary. 1620. he did set sale from *Iaquatra* with his sayd forces, and arriued at *Banda* about the third of February following.

Presently vpon his arriuall he made great preparation against the Iland of *Lantore*, which Iland was formerly by the inhabitants thereof deliuered ouer vnto our people for the vse, and vnder the subiection of the *Kings Maiestie* of *England*, whereof our Captaine of the Ile of *Polaroone* had taken possession and had also setled a factory there.

When our chiefe Factor in our sayd Ile of *Polaroone* heard of the purpose of the Dutch Generall against the sayd Ile of *Lantore*, he wrote a letter vn-

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to the sayd Generall, aduising him that the sayd Ile of *Lantore* did belong vnto the King of *England*, and that therefore hee should not attempt any violence against it, seeing there is an accord made in England betweene vs. Which letter, the sayd Generall threw from him in a great rage, scarce vouchsafeing to reade it ouer, and caused the Messenger to be thrust out of doores, requiring him to aduise our Factor of *Polaroone* presently to send to *Lantore*; and fetch away all such of our people and goods as were vpon that Iland; for whomsoeuer he should find there: he would take them as his vtter enemies, and they should fare no better then the inhabitants.

And within ten or twelue dayes after he landed all his forces there, & subdued the said Iland. So long as the fight endured, our Factors and seruants there (being three *English* and eight *Chineces*) kept themselues within doores, and afterwards our people came out of their houses, and told them, the house wherein they were, was the *English* house, and that therefore they should not meddle therewith.

Neuertheleſſe they sacked our house, tooke away all our goods, murthered three of our *Chines* seruants, bound the rest (as well *English* as *Chineſes*) hand & foote, & threatned thē to cut their throats binding them three seuerall times to seuerall stakes with their weapons ready drawne out, and did put a halter vpon our principall Factors necke, drawing vp his head, and stretching out his necke, ready to put them to death, yet did not execute them, but as they were bound hand and foote (as aforesayd) tumbled them downe ouer the rockes like dogs

and like to haue broken their neckes, and thus bound, carryed them aboord their ships, and there kept them prisoners in Irons 14. or 16. dayes.

After the conquest of the Iland of *Lantore* the Dutch Generall threatned to doe the like vnto *Polaroone* wherefore our principall Factor of *Polaroone* being there but newly arriued, went vnto the Dutch Generall vnto the castle of *Nera*, and told him that he heard that he purposed to take *Polaroone* by force, which hee could not beleeue, although his owne messenger [illegible] to *Polaroone* to speake with our Factors, had giuen it out also, that the General himselfe should say, that if the English did not come presently vnto him & yeeld the fayd fort of *Polaroone* vnto him, he would send his forces, and ouer-run all the countrey, but hoped he would enterprize no such thing against that place, considering the Articles of agreement, and knowing how many yeeres (to the great losse and charge of the company) we held possession and maintained the place to the vse of his Maiesty of *England*.

The fayd Generall made little answer to it, as though there were no such matter intended, whereupon our fayd Factor tooke his leaue & came away.

But the next day hee was followed to *Polaroone* with and *Armado* of 26. *Prowes* & one ship, which did put the inhabitants of *Polaroone* in such a feare, as they know not what to do; whereupon our chiefe Factor there asked the commander of those forces, what his purpose was with such a fleete there, and that if he attempted any thing against *Polaroone*, it was a breach of the Articles it being in our possession. This could not preuaile with him, but fayd the

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land was theirs, and they would haue it by faire meanes or force, and as for our profeſſion, they would not acknowledge it (the inhabitants and not we being maiſters of the place) and ſo the Dutch Commander went a ſhore vnto the inhabitants.

Whereupon the ſaid inhabitants asked vs if we could and would defend them, but perceiuing wee were not able to defend our ſelues, much leſſe to ſecure them: they were forced to yeeld themſelues and the Iland into his hands.

The Dutch tooke downe the Engliſh colours, and ſet vp their owne, and cauſed the inhabitants preſently to bring in all their weapons, and to throw downe all their walles, and would haue forced them to haue taken all our Ordnance out of our Fort, which they at the firſt refuſed to doe, alleding that they had formerly giuen and ſurrendred the land to the King of England, and in reſpect they had liued ſo long with the Engliſh, they would not now offer vs any iniury or violence.

And when our chiefe Factor went a ſhore to expoſtulate the matter with the Dutch Commander, he could obtaine nothing at his hands, but that the land was theirs, and things muſt bee ſo, and ſhould be ſo.

Whereupon our ſayd Factor went again vnto the Dutch General to the caſtle of *Nera* to conferre with him thereabouts, but he would giue no other anſwer, but that he had referred thoſe buſineſſes to his ſayd Lieutenant ſent thither, with whom hee might conferre: who in the abſenſe of our ſayd chiefe Factor, had brought ſome of his ſouldiers a

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shore vpon *Polaroone*, and forced the Ilanders to throw all out Ordnance ouer the rocke from the place where they were planted (being nine peeces) whereof foure broke with the fall, and were all carryed away by the Dutch.

Moreouer our Captaine of *Polaroone* who had defended the Iland foure yeeres together going to *Lantore* (at the request of the inhabitants) to receiue the surrendry thereof for our Kings Maiesties vse (as aforesaid) and returning backe againe about the beginning of *Nouember* 1620. was slaine by the Dutch. And it is very probable, they did it after the time they had intelligence of the publication of the accord at *Bantam* in *March* 1619. For presently vpon the said publication, they sent secretly to the Ilands in those parts, where they had trade, to preuent vs of our part of the spices due vnto vs by the accord.

After the said Dutch Generall had subdued the fore mentioned Iland of *Lantore*, he constrained them to deliuer vnto him, the principall of all their children for hostages: Then he tooke away from them all their small vessels and boats, and then he also required all the men of *Lantore* to be brought vnto him, and they brought him all the principall men, but this did not satisfie him, but he would haue al the *Bandineses*, which had ayded them, as also all their wiues and children, small and great to be brought as prisoners aboord his ships.

Which when the *Bandineses* perceiued doubting that he meant to make them all slaues and to carry them

them to some other places) they agreed together to retire themselues into the highest and strongest places of the land, and there did fortifie themselues, whereupon the Dutch slue of them and tooke 1200 persons prisoners, most of them being women and children, which they haue since carryed to *Iaquam* and other places.

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NEWES FROM FRANCE.

A true Relation of the great

which happened by the Lightning

fire

in the City of [illegible] the 24. day of [illegible] last

past, [illegible]

Together with the speedy diligence

used by the Duke DE MONBASON,

Governour of the said Towne, for the

quenching thereof.

Also a Decree made in the Court of Parlia-

ment in PARIS, *whereby an Order is taken for pro-*

viding for the Merchants that have lost their goods

by the said Fire, and to prevent the like mis-

chance in time to come.

Translated according to the French Copie,

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